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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Christophe MALEVILLE Confirmation No.: 7460
Application No.: 10/619,596 Group Art Unit: 2813
Filing Date: July 16, 2003 Examiner: J.S.J. Chen
For: METHOD OF INCREASING THE AREA Attorney Docket No.: 4717-5700
OF A USEFUL LAYER OF MATERIAL
TRANSFERRED ONTO A SUPPORT

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement dated March 23, 2005, applicants elect, with traverse, the method claims of Group I, claims 1-28, for prosecution in this application.

In addition, in response to the Examiner's species requirement, applicants elect the species disclosed in Figure 5. Claims 1-11 and 13-28 are specifically directed to the elected species.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that at least claims 1-11 and 13-28 should be examined in this application. Furthermore, should the Examiner fail to locate any material prior art references against the elected species, it is understood that the search will be expanded to the species disclosed in Figures (4 and 6).

It is believed that the entire application is in condition for allowance, early notice of which would be appreciated.

No fees are believed to be due for this submission. Should any fees be required, please charge such fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 4/8/05


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